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PATENT APPLICATION
Atty. Docket No.: 29997/062

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the following application:

Application

Application Serial No:	10/655,922
Filed on:	September 5, 2003
Inventors:	Moctezuma de la Barrera et al.
Title:	SYSTEM AND METHOD OF PERFORMING BALL AND SOCKET JOINT SURGERY
Art Unit:	3651
Examiner:	Unknown
Attorney Docket No.:	29997/062

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on **December 8, 2006**.

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Printed Name: J. William Frank, III

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1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

- ☒ a. Previously submitted
- ☒ i. Consider the Amendment B under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on 10/11/2006.

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

- ☐ ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- ☐ iii. Other

☒ b. Enclosed

- ☒ i. Copy of Amendment B dated 10/11/2006
- ☐ ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- ☐ iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ☐ iv. Other

2. **Miscellaneous**

- ☐ a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.
(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
- ☒ b. ***IF AN EXTENSION OF TIME IS REQUIRED IN THIS APPLICATION OR ANY PARENT APPLICATION, PLEASE CONSIDER THIS AS A REQUEST THEREFOR.***
- ☐ c. Other

3. **Fees**

- ☒ a. Authorization to charge firm credit card in the amount of: **\$790.00**
PTO Form 2038 attached herewith.
- ☒ b. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1309.
- ☒ i. Any deficiency in the amount enclosed or any additional fees which may be required during the pendency of this application under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17, except issue fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-1903. (A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed).
- ☐ ii. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
- ☐ iii. Extension of time fee 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17(a)
- ☐ iv. Other
- ☐ c. Check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.

Please direct all future communications to McCracken & Frank LLP, at the address below.

Respectfully submitted,

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By:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. William Frank, III", is written over a horizontal line.

J. William Frank, III
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December 8, 2006